AMENDED IN SENATE MAY 24, 2000 AMENDED IN SENATE MAY 4, 2000

SENATE BILL

No. 1887

Introduced by Senator Vasconcellos

February 24, 2000

An act to amend Section 19605.35 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to horse racing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1887, as amended, Vasconcellos. Horse racing: impact fees.

(1) Existing law authorizes agreements between associations and satellite wagering facilities concerning transmission of signal, the inclusion of wagers in the parimutuel appropriate pool, and the payment of supplemental impact fees apart from the deductions and distributions from the amount handled specified under the Horse Racing Law. Existing law provides that nothing in these provisions shall be construed to require an association or fair to execute an agreement concerning these fees, and that notwithstanding these provisions, no impact fee or charge shall be paid by the operator of a satellite wagering facility that was also licensed at any time during the prior year to conduct a live racing meeting in the northern zone.

This bill would expand this exclusion to include any satellite wagering facility in the northern zone that was licensed at any time prior to January 1, 2000.

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(2) Existing law also provides that on-track license fees applicable to associations conducting thoroughbred racing in the northern zone shall be reduced by 0.3%, and that the amount thereby retained shall be paid to the association in the form of a commission.

This bill would increase this reduction in on-tract on-track license fees to 0.6% 0.3% plus an amount equal to the total amount of impact fees paid by the Santa Clara County Fair in 2000.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 19605.35 of the Business and 2 Professions Code is amended to read:
- 3 19605.35. (a) Notwithstanding paragraph (3) of
- 4 subdivision (a) of Section 19605.3, no fee or charge
- 5 authorized under that paragraph shall be paid by the
- 6 operator of a satellite wagering facility that was licensed
- 7 in the northern zone at any time prior to January 1, 2000.
- 8 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, total
- 9 on-track license fees applicable to all wagers made within
- 10 the inclosure of an association associations conducting a
- 11 thoroughbred meet thoroughbred racing meetings in the
- 12 northern zone, including wagers on out-of-zone,
- 13 out-of-state, and out-of-country races, shall be reduced by
- 14 0.6 percent 0.3 percent, plus an additional amount equal
- 15 to the total amount of impact fees paid by the Santa Clara
- 16 County Fair in 2000. The reduction in license fees
- 7 provided by this section shall be distributed solely to the
- 18 association in the form of commissions. All other
- 19 distributions from handle shall be as provided elsewhere
- 20 in this chapter.
- 21 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (3) of subdivision (a)
- 22 of Section 19605.3, no fee or charge authorized under that
- 23 paragraph shall be paid by the operator of a satellite 24 wagering facility that was also licensed at any time during
- 25 the prior year to conduct a live thoroughbred or quarter
- 26 horse racing meeting in the central or southern zones or

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1 a live fair racing meeting in Los Angeles County.
2 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, on-track
3 license fees applicable to all wagers made within the
4 inclosure of an association conducting a thoroughbred
5 meet in the central or southern zones, including wagers
6 on out-of-zone, out-of-state, and out-of-country races,
7 shall be reduced by 0.15 percent. The reduction in license
8 fees provided by this section shall be distributed solely to
9 the association in the form of commissions. All other
10 distributions from handle shall be as provided elsewhere
11 in this chapter.